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## AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

Sir:

Responsive to a Final Office Action dated September 6, 2006 as entered in the above-captioned matter, Applicants hereby respectfully submit the following amendment and response, without prejudice or disclaimer.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.